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Recycling Is Increasing On The Kickapoo Reservation!

Many of you know the Kickapoo Environmental Office has a residential and government building recycling program. Over the years the program has grown into a very stable opportunity for recycling to take place in the community. Recycling is a very important goal of the Environmental Office to reduce material from entering local landfills. Currently, there are recycling trailers located at Site 7 and behind the Environmental Office which are available 24 hours per day. Weekly pickups are conducted at approximately 19 Tribal Offices and buildings. Source reduction has also begun at the Golden Eagle Casino, which targets tin and shredded paper. The goals behind the recycling activities at the casino are to save \$\$\$ on waste removal

and reduce material being thrown away. Recycling totals for the last several years are listed below.

Residential and Government Building:

2008—2,381 lbs.

2009—3,440 lbs.

2010—7,988 lbs *as of 10/31/10

Golden Eagle Casino:

2,963 lbs of Tin

2,201 lbs of Shredded Paper

*Started on August 17, 2010

If you're interested in recycling please stop by or contact the Kickapoo Environmental Office.



Have a Safe and Happy Holiday!!!

Free Christmas Tree Disposal

The Kickapoo Environmental Office will be accepting Christmas trees following the Holiday Season to enhance fish habitat in Reservation ponds. The trees can be taken to the west parking area behind the Environmental Office; there will be a sign to help identify the drop off area. The trees will be anchored with wire and cinder blocks and dropped in

strategic locations in the ponds to create habitat structure for bass, bluegill, crappie and other fish to congregate around. This will provide a safe haven for small and spawning fish. Typically the trees will last over 5 years in the water before decaying. The end result will be better fishing opportunities for years to come.



We're on the Web http://Ktik-nsn.gov/ KickapooEnvironmentalProtection.htm

Kickapoo Environmental Office

Mission Statement



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Working Together for a Better Community!

The mission of the Kickapoo Environmental Office (KEO) is to promote the safety, health, and welfare of the Kickapoo Tribe in Kansas and improve the quality of life on the Kickapoo Reservation by safeguarding the natural environment and natural resources. The overall program goal is to develop a comprehensive environmental protection program for the Kickapoo Tribe In Kansas that will protect the natural, cultural and human resources on tribal lands.

What Can You Do For Your Water Quality?

The water streams that flow through the Kickapoo Nation include the Delaware River, Plum Creek, Muddy Creek, and the Squaw Creek. The ponds and streams in this watershed are some of Kickapoo nation's most important water resources. Achieving and sustaining good water quality in these ponds and streams is beneficial to the people who live here and also to the plant and animal communities. Good water quality is also important for the health of our residents, the economic well-being, and for our overall quality of life.

What can you do...

Dispose household hazardous wastes (HHW) properly—Take hazardous wastes to your local HHW collection facility (Brown County Transfer Station), open Monday to Friday, from 7:00am to 3:30pm 1664, 190th Street, Hiawatha, KS PH# (785) 547-3552/7991. Take any materials that are no longer useable or identifiable to your local HHW disposal site. HHW is free of charge to all Brown

County Residents.

- Use alternative cleaning products and healthier alternatives for your home and yard—A list of some of these alternatives can be found on the website at www.govlink.org/ hazwaste/house/products/list.cfm
- Check your storage spaces for old, unidentifiable or leaking containers—Storage places like garages, basements, closets or under the kitchen sink can accumulate large quantities of hazardous materials over time. Check these areas periodically for leaking containers.

Accepted Materials:

- Residential Waste
- Construction and Demolition Waste
- Commercial Waste
- Industrial Waste
- Ash—In Plastic bags only

- Batteries—Keep separate for recycling
- Appliances—Keep separate for recycling
- Scrap Metal—Keep separate for recycling

Unacceptable Materials:

- Liquid of any kind
- Asbestos

Other Accepted Materials (Additional Fee Applies):

- Air Conditioners
- Dehumidifiers
- Refrigerators
- Tires